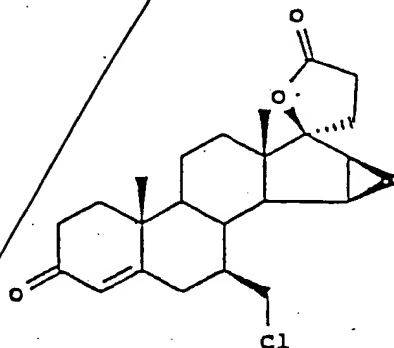
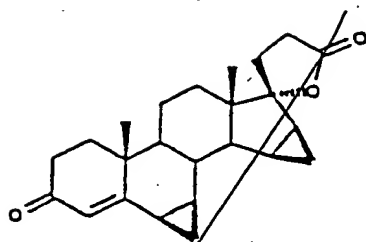


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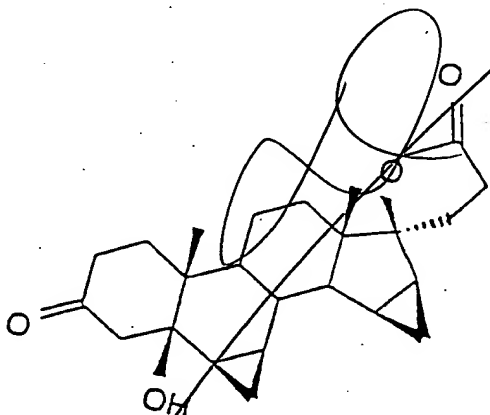
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Please add new claims 8-9 as follows. Please note that since claims 8-9 are newly added, a new marked-up version is not necessary.

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--8. 6 $\beta$ , 7 $\beta$ ; 15 $\beta$ , 16 $\beta$ -dimethylene-3-oxo-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-4-ene-21, 17-carbolactone of claim 4, made by a process comprising dehydrating a compound of Formula III,

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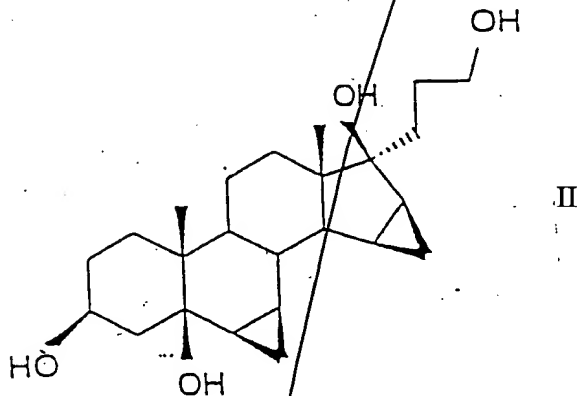
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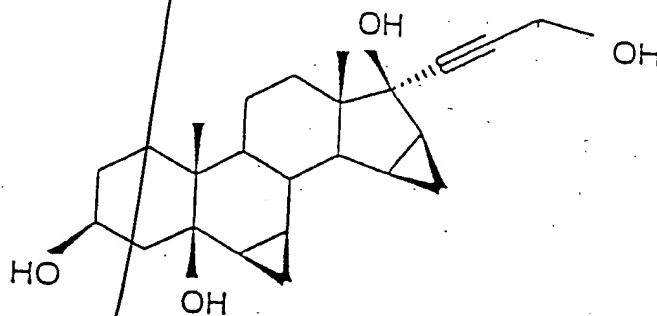
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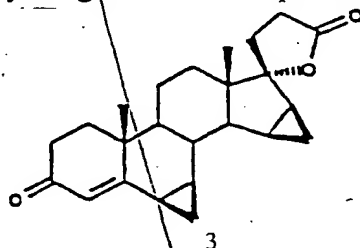


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which was made by catalytically hydrogenating a compound of Formula I



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9. A composition comprising 6 $\beta$ , 7 $\beta$ ; 15 $\beta$ , 16 $\beta$ -dimethylene-3-oxo-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-4-ene-21, 17-carbolactone of claim 4, a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and less than 0.2% by weight of said compound of the contaminants



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